

# CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges Councilwoman Renee S. Knight Councilman Larry Ferguson Councilwoman Dorothy Dean

### **Regular Meeting**

August 13, 2019

**Minutes** 

7:40pm

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called the Regular Council Meeting of the Morrow City Council to order at 7:45pm on August 13, 2019. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers of the Morrow Municipal Complex located at: 1500 Morrow Road, Morrow, GA, 30260.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent reflection.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar asked City Clerk Yasmin Julio to call the roll.

City Clerk Yasmin Julio called the roll and those present were Mayor Jeffrey DeTar, Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges, Councilman Larry Ferguson, Councilwoman Renee S. Knight and Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. She stated there was a quorum present.

# **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

- 1. Approval of July 23, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Approval of July 23, 2019 Work Session Minutes
   Approval of Attorney Fincher Denmark LLC invoice #4640, dated July 9, 2019 in the amount of \$9,975.60, for the period of June 1- June 30, 2019

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Renee Knight made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

## **MEETING AGENDA:**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve the August 13, 2019 Meeting Agenda.



#### MOTION AND VOTE:

Councilwoman Rene Knight made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

### PRESENTATION:

1. Waffle House

(Presented by Hillary Brown & David Gantt, Waffle House)

## PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Resident Cherie Crisp

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to amend the agenda to add 1a. Approval of Thermal Imaging cameras from SPLOST.

MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges made the motion to amend the agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

1a. Approval of Fire Department SPLOST expenditure for Thermal Imaging cameras.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this item.

MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Councilman Larry Ferguson. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

1. Approval to authorize the Fire Department Surplus Request of vehicle extrication equipment.

Synopsis: The Morrow Fire Department was recently awarded a grant which allowed the purchased of new vehicle extrication equipment, the older vehicle extrication equipment is to be sold or donated in accordance with our purchasing policy.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve Fire Department Surplus request to sell and/or donate vehicle extrication equipment.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.



2. Approval to authorize the Police Department Surplus Request of the following vehicles;

-Unit # 4 - 2005 Ford Crown Victoria - VIN: 2FAFP71W95X164993

-Unit # 11 - 2005 Ford Crown Victoria - VIN: 2FAFP71W65X164997

Synopsis: These two late model police vehicles are nonoperational and the cost to repair them will surpass the value of the vehicles.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this item.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

3. Approval to authorize the SPLOST expenditure request not to exceed \$32,000 for a fully equipped police vehicle replacement.

Synopsis: Recently a police vehicle was struck and totaled on I-75 while responding to a call, the at fault driver's insurance has paid out \$13,900. A fully equipped police vehicle replacement costs is \$45,871, if approved the difference of \$31,971 will be paid by SPLOST funds.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this item.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

4. Approval to authorize Mayor Jeffrey DeTar to execute professional services agreement with RedSpeed Georgia, LLC for School zone speed cameras and related services.

Synopsis: RedSpeed Georgia offers installation and monitoring of school zone cameras in an effort to get drivers to slow down in school zones. Once a vehicle has been found to be speeding in a school zone, RedSpeed sends over the violation to the Police Department, RedSpeed acquires a 35% fee for its services.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this item.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made the motion to approve this item without paragraph 14 of the contract, striking it in its entirety, seconded by Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

## **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Resolution 2019-07 Removal of Personnel Policy- 3.04 Employment of Relatives



A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MORROW TO REPEAL PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS SECTION 3.04 EMPLOYMENT OF RELATIVES.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to approve this resolution.

MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges made the motion to approve this item, seconded by Councilwoman Dorothy Dean. The motion passed, 3-1 with Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges, Councilwoman Dorothy Dean and Councilwoman Renee Knight in favor of and Councilman Larry Ferguson opposed.

2. First Reading Ordinance 2019-10 Neighborhood (Residential and Commercial) Standards

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA BY REVISING SECTION 11-1-10 ("MAINTAINING STANDARDS OF NEIGHBORHOOD; MAINTAINING STANDARDS OF BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT; PROHIBITION OF KEEPING JUNK, ABANDONED APPLIANCES, INOPERATIVE VEHICLES, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT ON PROPERTY") IN CHAPTER 1 ("GENERAL PROVISIONS") IN TITLE 11 ("OFFENSES"); TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar advised this was the first reading and no action will be taken as of this time.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

Council members Comments: Councilwoman Dorothy Dean Mayor Jeffrey DeTar

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Jeffrey DeTar called for a motion to adjourn the August 13, 2019 Regular Meeting.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Renee Knight made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

The Regular Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm

Approved this 27th day of August, 2019.

CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA

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